

**To:** Laidlaw, Tina[Laidlaw.Tina@epa.gov]  
**From:** Suplee, Mike  
**Sent:** Thur 11/21/2013 7:16:54 PM  
**Subject:** FW: Text for email to NWG members

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Hi Tina;

This is what will go out to the Nutrient Work Group (see below). We have updated on the online document to reflect that it is draft.

Thanks, Mike

**From:** Suplee, Mike  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 21, 2013 12:15 PM  
**To:** Greeley, Carrie  
**Cc:** Urban, Eric  
**Subject:** Text for email to NWG members

Hi Carrie;

Here is the text of the email you can send to the NWG members regarding Addendum A:

“DEQ recently released a technical document “Derivation of Site-specific Numeric Nutrient Criteria for Selected Streams in the Upper Clark Fork Basin, Addendum A”. Site-specific criteria from this document for several streams in the upper Clark Fork basin were included in a draft version of DEQ-12 (v6.7). However, U.S. EPA has had significant concerns with the criteria, relating to technical issues (limited reference data, concerns with certain lines of evidence DEQ used, etc.).

As a result of these concerns and the rapidly-approaching deadlines for the rule-package, DEQ will not be including the Addendum A site-specific criteria in DEQ-12. As a result, the criteria that apply to the streams in question are instead the Middle Rockies ecoregional values (30 µg TP/L, 300 µg TN/L). As part of DEQ’s triennial standards review and overall commitment to developing scientifically-defensible nutrient criteria, DEQ will continue to investigate and develop site-specific nutrient criteria going forward.”

Thanks,

Mike